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State Board of Education to Extend Timeline to Award Letter Grades under the A-F Accountability System

At its August 28th meeting, the Arizona State Board of Education will consider an extended timeline in awarding letter grades under the A-F Accountability System to allow for minor refinements in calculations. The Accountability Advisory Group will discuss proposed refinements on student growth and graduation rate calculations to ensure that letter grades appropriately differentiate performance across schools. In addition, it will be recommended that sufficient time be allotted to the Arizona Department of Education to review and validate the refined calculations.

Based on the refinements, an extended timeline will be proposed as follows:

August 28 – State Board of Education meets to discuss and review proposed refinements to student growth and graduation calculations
August 29 – September 18 - ADE to validate refinements
September 25 – State Board of Education meets to set cut scores
Week of September 25 – Letter grades are issued to schools subject to embargo, including media
October 9 – Embargo lifted for schools and media; letter grades publicly released to all, including media

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